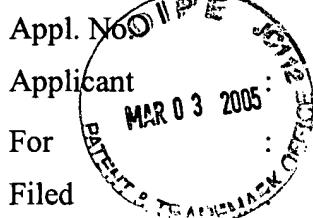


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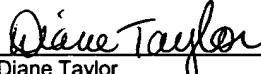


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE
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Dear Sir:

In response to a Notification of Non-Compliance with the Requirements of 37 CFR 1.192(c) mailed January 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.